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Serial No. 09/600,337

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE TRANSLATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The applicants here respond to the Notice of Defective Translation, attached to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated August 4, 2000 in the patent application identified above.

That Notice asserts that the received translation is defective because the text in the drawing has not been properly translated. The applicants respectfully traverse this finding. The first two sheets of drawing filed with the translation of this application do contain English translations of the text in the application as filed.

Copies of those two sheets, containing Figs. 1, 2A, and 2B, are enclosed herewith for the convenience of the Office.

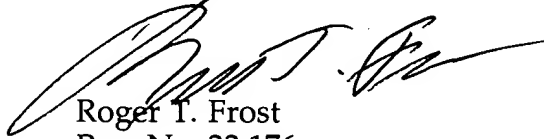
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The foregoing is submitted as a complete response to the Notice identified above. If any question remains concerning the sufficiency of the translation, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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2. The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:
- ☒ a. Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date.
 - ☒ The current translation is defective for the reasons indicated on the attached Notice of Defective Translation.
 - ☐ b. Processing fee for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than the appropriate 20 or 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).
 - ☐ c. Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.
 - ☐ The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) for the reasons indicated on the attached PCT/DO/EO/917.
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3. Additional claim fees of \$ _____ as a ☐ large entity ☐ small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due. See attached PTO-875.

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5. ☐ The Article 19 amendments are cancelled since a translation was not provided by the appropriate 20 (37 CFR 494(d)) or 30 (37 CFR 1.495(d)) months from the priority date.

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- Enclosed:
- ☐ PCT/DO/EO/917
 - ☒ Notice of Defective Translation
 - ☐ PTO-875
- FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (December 1997)

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NOTICE OF DEFECTIVE TRANSLATION

The received translation is defective because:

- ☒ (1) The text in the drawings has not been properly translated;
- ☐ (2) The number of claims in the International Application and the number of claims in the translation are not the same;
- ☐ (3) The translation of the International Application is incomplete as a number of pages are missing;
- ☐ (4) Other.


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